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OUT-OF-PLANE MOTION

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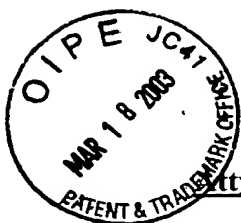
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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

This communication is a supplement to the Request for Reconsideration filed on January 25, 2003. Applicant would like to take this opportunity to thank the Examiner for granting a personal interview with Applicant's attorney and agent on February 5, 2003. In this supplement, Applicant has amended claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8, added new claim 21, and canceled claims 3, 6, 9 and 10, based on the suggestions provided by the Examiner during the personal interview. No new matter is added. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 21 are pending. Claims 11-20 are withdrawn from consideration. A machine translation of the reference cited by the Examiner (Japanese Patent No. 08-051786 to Narita et al.) is attached. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims

Please cancel claims 3, 6, 9, 10 and 11.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 as follows:

1. (Amended) An actuator comprising:

a stator wafer;

a micro-mover above said stator wafer;

one or more stator electrodes protruding from a section of a stator wafer surface,

wherein said section of said stator wafer surface is a substantially flat, continuous plane that